

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 792

By Keisling

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Edwin W. Blackwell of Hendersonville.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Edwin W. Blackwell; and

WHEREAS, Edwin Blackwell was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Blackwell was born to the late Lonnie and Margaret Clevenger Blackwell in Chattanooga on August 6, 1934; and

WHEREAS, with an unwavering sense of duty and patriotism, Edwin Blackwell proudly served in the United States Army during the Korean War; and

WHEREAS, after he was honorably discharged, Mr. Blackwell attended and graduated from Lipscomb University; and

WHEREAS, Edwin Blackwell served with acumen and alacrity as an insurance agent, in which position he earned the respect of his clients, peers, and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Blackwell was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Edwin Blackwell enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife of sixty years, Joyce Pinckley Blackwell; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Blackwell will be remembered not only by his wife but also by his children, Marie Dandurand and Alan Blackwell; his grandchildren, Katie Mann, Kyle Mann, Brianna Swint, and Bryce Blackwell; his great-grandson, Timothy Mann; and his sister, Jane Rowlett; and

WHEREAS, Edwin Blackwell leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Edwin W. Blackwell, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Blackwell.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.